

Child Dental Benefits Schedule

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Child Dental Benefits Schedule?

The Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) is a program that provides eligible children and teenagers up to \$1,132 in Medicare benefits over two calendar years for basic dental care.

Is my child eligible for the CDBS?

Children and teenagers are eligible for the CDBS if they are:

- aged 0 to 17 years for any one day of the calendar year
- eligible for Medicare
- part of a family that receives Family Tax Benefit Part A or the child receives an Australian Government payment from the list available through the Department of Human Services

Why will I be asked to sign a financial consent form to use the CDBS at a public dental clinic?

- This allows public dental services to claim benefits from Medicare for CDBS eligible children
- These benefits will be used to improve services and treat more patients in need of dental care

Will I be charged any fees if I use my child's benefit at a public dental clinic?

No. NSW public dental clinics will provide your child's care at no cost to you. Even if you reach the \$1,132 Medicare CDBS benefit cap, or if your child needs treatment not covered by the CDBS, you will not be charged for these services.

Where can I find out more information about the CDBS?

For information about the CDBS in NSW public dental services visit: health.nsw.gov.au/cdbs



For general information about the CDBS visit the Department of Human Services website.

Want to know more?

Ask our staff or visit health.nsw.gov.au/cdbs

